

REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 15, 2008 which has been reviewed and carefully considered.

By means of the present amendment, claim 15, 18 and 20 have been canceled without prejudice and their features included in independent claims 1, 7 and 9. Accordingly, no new issues requiring a new search have been introduced and entry of the present Amendment is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-14, 16-17 and 19 remain in this application, where claims 1, 7 and 9 are independent.

By means of the present amendment, the drawings have been amended to change reference numeral 4 in FIG 3 to 61, in conformance with the specification, such as page 8, lines 13 and 19. A replacement sheet including FIG 3 is enclosed. Further, an annotated marked-up version of the sheet including FIG 3 is enclosed for convenience. Applicants respectfully request approval of the enclosed proposed drawing changes.

By means of the present amendment, the specification has been amended for better conformance to the drawings.

In the Final Office Action, claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,433,488 (Bu). Further, claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over Bu in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,876,350 (Koyama). It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-20 are patentable over Bu and Koyama for at least the following reasons.

Bu is directed to an organic light emitting diode active driving system with current feedback, thereby a driving current for organic light emitting diode is not affected by variation of characteristic parameters of thin film transistor under an active driving mode. In particular, a comparator and feedback are used to compare the driving current with a reference current, and maintain the desired level the driving current so that it is assured that the OLED "is driven by the same current under the same supply voltage in order to achieve superior light emission uniformity." (Column 2, lines 2-4; emphasis added; see also column 3, line 64 to column 4, lines 11) Thus, Bu strive to assure "that the value of

the driving current I_{OLED} is equal to that of the reference current I_{ref} , which is not affected by different characteristic parameters of the first transistor 21." (Column 4, lines 8-11; emphasis added).

It is respectfully submitted that Bu does not disclose or suggest the present invention as recited in independent claim 1, and similarly recited in independent claims 7 and 9 which, amongst other patentable elements, recites (illustrative emphasis provided):

wherein when the analog data signal having a first voltage is provided to a first one of the drive elements and said first drive element is selected to drive the emissive element, a brightness of the emissive element is greater than when the analog data signal having the first voltage is provided to a second one of the drive elements and said second drive element is selected to drive the emissive element.

An emissive element with different brightness, when the very same voltage (i.e., the first voltage) is applied to two different drive elements, is nowhere disclosed or suggested in Bu. Rather, Bu merely discloses to achieve uniformity by assuring that the driving current is equal to the reference current. Koyama is cited to allegedly show other features and do not remedy the deficiencies

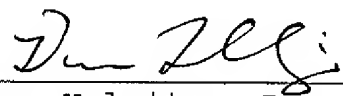
in Bu.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that independent claims 1, 7 and 9 are allowable. In additions, claims 2-6, 8, 10-14, 16-17 and 19 are allowable at least based on their dependence from independent claims 1, 7 and 9.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Replacement drawing sheet (1 sheet including FIG 3)
Annotated drawing sheet (1 sheet including FIG 3)

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